



## Doris Hess Spencer

March 23, 1928 - August 14, 2020

Mrs. Doris Hess Spencer, 92, of Lexington, formerly of Salisbury passed away Friday, August 14, 2020 at her residence of natural causes.

Born March 23, 1928 in Rowan County she was a daughter of the late William Lamont Hess and Willy Lois Cross Hess.

She graduated from Boyden High School. Mrs. Spencer was employed for Purcell's of Salisbury and Baker Shoes before retiring.

She was a member of First United Church of Christ for 92 years.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, Clyde Spencer on October 25, 1990; daughter, Terrie Spencer Hess on July 21, 2001; sisters, Mary Robert, and Jane Miller; brothers, John Gardner, and Lamont Hess.

Those left to cherish her memory are a daughter, Louann Allman of Salisbury; son-in-law, Thomas E. Hess, Sr. and wife Carolyn of Salisbury; grandchildren, Telley Hess and wife Sundee of Lexington, Heather Allman and husband Joe Garza, Shane Allman, Justin Allman and wife Brittany all of Salisbury; great-grandchildren, Parker Hess, Emmerson Hess, Chandler Reese, Sophia Garza, Fallan Garza, Christopher Allman, Ryan Allman, Layla Allman and Alexia Allman.

A graveside service will be conducted 11 AM – Tuesday (Aug. 18) at Chestnut Hill Cemetery with Rev. Carol Hallman, minister of the First United Church of Christ, officiating. Mrs. Spencer may be viewed between the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday at Summersett Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Prevent Child Abuse Rowan, "Terrie Hess House",  
130 Woodson Street, Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Spencer family. Online condolences  
may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Chestnut Hill Cemetery

Salisbury, NC

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chestnut Hill Cemetery  
Salisbury, NC

# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ So many fond memories of Aunt Doris. Such a loving and giving person. When my mother passed my father was home alone, Doris would go by and check on him every week. Such a special person.

Johnny Jr - August 17, 2020 at 06:05 PM

JL

“ My most special memory of my Aunt Doris was when she & Uncle Clyde had me & my new husband over for dinner. We had been married a short time but was a wonderful way to celebrate. It was a steak dinner. My husband remembers as that was the first time he had a big steak on the grill! Doris was a wonderful & a very special person to me, my family & everyone she knew. Will miss her so much. My love to all the family Jean Spencer Loflin

Jean Spencer Loflin - August 17, 2020 at 02:01 PM

LK

“ Doris was a good friend and sweet lady. She will be missed dearly.

Linda Kyles - August 17, 2020 at 12:45 PM

CZ

“ I am so very sorry for the loss of your beautiful and sweet Grandmother Telley. My thoughts and prayers go to you and your entire family. Remember, while we grieve, it is not without hope. This separation is only temporary, there is a Great Reunion just beyond our sight.

"What though as lost, Heaven has in Store"

CHRISTY ZEDRICK - August 17, 2020 at 12:05 PM



KB

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a very sweet lady and one of a kind for sure!!

Kathy Budny - August 17, 2020 at 09:34 AM

DH

“ Condolences Louann and Family. When I lived in Salisbury I had the honor of having Sunday dinner with Mrs Doris and her family from time to time. Even when I left Salisbury I would come once in awhile to have my car wash at Sam's get a hot dog from Hap's and I would drop by Baker Shoes and visit with Mrs Doris. It had been awhile since I had seen Mrs Doris but I would think of her. My visits to Salisbury will not be the same and seeing that smiling face.

Daniel Huggins - August 16, 2020 at 11:43 AM



“ My sympathy to all the family. I worked with Doris for thirteen years at Baker Shoes and I truly admired her. She was always thinking of others and giving of herself so many times. I know she is rejoicing in heaven now with her husband and her daughter. What a legacy she left!

Nellie Drye  
Concord, N C

Nellie Drye - August 16, 2020 at 10:35 AM

GF

“ I have many good memories of Doris, Clyde, Terry, and Louann. They were almost my second family. I met my first wife at the slot racing track on North Main Street, here in Salisbury. I can truly say that I am a better person due to my knowing her. Go with God, rest in peace.

*Gary Foster, Salisbury*

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**Gary S. Foster** - August 16, 2020 at 08:15 AM

JM

“ I worked with Doris at Purcell's in the 70's. At the time she was like a Mom to me. We could share so much together. She was a perfectionist about the clothing lined up correctly and I loved that about her. I can see her now in that beige shift putting on her lipstick on Great memories

*My deepest sympathies, Luanne and family*

*Joy Mull*

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**joy mull** - August 15, 2020 at 06:25 PM

MG

“ I am very saddened by your loss. Mrs. Doris was one of the sweetest persons that I know. I will be keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers. May our Lord give you His strength and peace in the coming days.

*Mitzi*

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**Mitzi Goodman** - August 15, 2020 at 04:22 PM

JM

“ I worked with Mrs. Spencer at Purcell's in the 70's. I have the fondest memories of her  
We had many laughs in the retail business. I felt like she was a second mother while I worked with her

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**joy mull** - August 15, 2020 at 03:37 PM

JG

“ Louann, Kent Miller shared the sad news advising you wanted us to know. I appreciate this and inquired about your Mom last week when visiting Joyce Trexler . On our visits she would often join us there and enjoyed her company. The opportunity to rekindle and meet at Jane's service and spend time is cherished. Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time, may God bless and comfort your family. John Gardner family, Greenville SC.

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**John Gardner** - August 15, 2020 at 01:25 PM